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STOCKPILE ACCEPTS MANGANESE ORE OFFER

Fort Belvoir, VA -- The Defense National Stockpile Center announced the sale today of approximately 11,000 short dry tons of metallurgical grade manganese ore under Solicitation for Offers, DLA-MANGANESE-001. The award was made for a total provisional value of \$230,000 to American Minerals of King of Prussia, PA and Advanced Alloys of Pensacola, FL.

Offerings for manganese ore are held daily. Offers are due by 2:00 p.m., local time, at 8725 John J. Kingman Road, Suite 3229, Ft. Belvoir, VA 22060-6223. For additional information, please visit our website at https://www.dla.dnsc.mil.

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